The Warren Master Plan

Project Kickoff January 25th, 2024





What is a Master Plan

A process where a community determines a vision for their municipality's future, which then guides policy and investments.

Why are Master Plans important?

- Consistency in decision making
- · Ability to make informed decisions
- · Achieving predictability
- Producing positive economic development
- Preserving community character
- Wise use of resources
- Grant writing

Master Plan Elements

Economic Development
Housing
Natural & Cultural Resources
Transportation
Open Space & Recreation
Land Use

Town Services & Facilities Implementation



EEA

Phase 2 (not yet funded) =

Community **CDAC Action Items** Plan Development (CMRPC) **Engagement** Jan-24 Benchmark Review Survey Feb-24 Kick-off Development Survey confirmation and marketing Mar-24 Workshop Apr-24 Workshop prep Development Survey & Workshop | Engagement May-24 Workshop Analysis Summary Jun-24 Vision Statement Jul-24 Housing Strategy Economic Development Strategy Housing Aug-24 Chapter Economic Transportation Strategy Sep-24 Development Town Services Strategy Oct-24 Chapter Transportation Housing Chapter/Open Space Strategy Nov-24 Chapter Town Services Economic Development Chapter/Natural Dec-24 Open Chapter Resources Strategy Space/Rec Natural Chapter Transportation Chapter/Land Use Strategy Jan-25 Resources Feb-25 Town Services Chapter Chapter Land Use Chapter Mar-25 Open Space Chapter Natural Resources Chapter Apr-25 May-25 Land Use Chapter Implementation Jun-25 Implementation and final documents Jul-25 Full plan review Draft Plan Open Aug-25 Draft period Period Sep-25 Final Oct-25 Selectboard Vote CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS Regional Planning Commission

Town Roles

- · Connecting CMRPC with town stakeholders
- Confirming survey questions
- · Leading survey promotional campaign
- Confirming workshop approach
- · Leading workshop promotional campaign
- Facilitating discussions at workshop
- Confirming vision statement
- · Identifying needs from boards, committees, and stakeholders
- Deciding direction & top strategies of each chapter
- Providing feedback on draft chapters
- Confirming draft chapters
- · Leading public comment period
- Selectboard vote

- ~20 committee meetings
- Bringing people to the table
- Town expertise



CMRPC Roles

- Stakeholder interviews (~10)
- Survey development
- Survey promotional materials
- Workshop development
- Workshop promotional materials
- Workshop facilitation
- Community engagement summary
- Vision statement development
- · Data collection
- Chapter narrative & data analysis
- Mapping
- Plan visualization
- Non-chapter elements (introduction, chapter summaries, design)
- CDAC action item meeting facilitation (~20)



CMRPC Project Contacts

Project Lead

Sarah O'Brien
Community Development Planner
SOBrien@cmrpc.org

Director of Community Planning

Dominique DuTremble

DDutremble@cmrpc.org



Master Plan Ongoing Materials

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/3j75gz0tvexs5mesb1btj/h?rlkey=zswea6j3yahhcz09rhsqr5guf&dl=0



